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KANSAS MAN INDICTED FOR ATTEMPT TO ENTICE A MINOR

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Kan., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for attempting to entice a minor to engage in sexual activity.

Lee M. Bailey, 46, of Kansas City, was charged in a five-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City, Mo.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Bailey** used an Internet chat room on Feb. 27, 2004, in an attempt to entice a minor to engage in sexual activity for which he could be charged with a criminal offense. According to the indictment, **Bailey** attempted to entice an individual under the age of 18 to engage in statutory sodomy in the second degree, which is a felony.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Bailey** traveled across the state line on Feb. 27, 2004, for the purpose of attempting to engage in illicit sexual conduct with another person.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Bailey** used an Internet chat room on March 2, 2004, in an attempt to entice a minor to engage in sexual activity for which he could be charged with a criminal offense. According to the indictment, **Bailey** attempted to entice an individual under the age of 18 to engage in statutory sodomy in the second degree, which is a felony.

Count Four of the federal indictment alleges that **Bailey** traveled across the state line on March 2, 2004, for the purpose of attempting to engage in illicit sexual conduct with another person.

Count Five of the federal indictment is a forfeiture count, which would require **Bailey** to forfeit to the government any property used to commit the offenses that are alleged in the indictment, including a Dell desktop computer, a Maxtor hard drive and a Micro Webcam CD.

Today's indictment also includes a notice of special findings, which alleges that **Bailey** unduly influenced the victim to engage in prohibited sexual conduct.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Katharine Fincham. It was investigated by the Platte County, Mo., Sheriff's Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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